

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A wire dot printer head, comprising:
an armature capable of rocking between a printing position and a standby position;
a printing wire fixed on one end side of the armature and sliding in accordance with rocking of the armature; and
an armature stopper, where an elastic plate and a hard plate are integrated with each other and the hard plate being made of surface-hardened titanium, provided in a position and direction in which the armature, when ~~rocks~~ rocking to the standby position, collides against the hard plate.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A wire dot printer head, comprising:
an armature capable of rocking between a printing position and a standby position;
a printing wire fixed on one end side of the armature and sliding in accordance with rocking of the armature; and
an armature stopper, where an elastic plate and a hard plate are integrated with each other and the hard plate being made of precipitation-hardened SUS 631, provided in a position and direction in which the armature, when ~~rocks~~ rocking to the standby position, collides against the hard plate.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A wire dot printer head, comprising:
an armature capable of rocking between a printing position and a standby position;
a printing wire fixed on one end side of the armature and sliding in accordance with rocking of the armature; and

an armature stopper, where an elastic plate and a hard plate are integrated with each other and the hard plate being made of marageing steel, provided in a position and direction in which the armature, when ~~recks~~ rocking to the standby position, collides against the hard plate.

Claims 4-6 (Cancelled).

A/ Claim 7 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 1, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive.

Claim 8 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive.

Claim 9 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 3, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive.

Claim 10 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 1, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by baking, and wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate.

Claim 11 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by baking, and wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate.

Claim 12 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 3, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by baking, and wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate.

Claim 13 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 1, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive, and wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate.

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Claim 14 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive, and wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate.

Claim 15 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 3, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive, and wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate.

Claim 16 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein a fluorine resin film is formed on a surface of the hard plate.

Claim 17 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by baking, and wherein a fluorine resin film is formed on a surface of the hard plate.

Claim 18 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive, and wherein a fluorine resin film is formed on a surface of the hard plate.

Claim 19 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by baking, wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate, and wherein a fluorine resin film is formed on a surface of the hard plate.

Claim 20 (Original): The wire dot printer head according to claim 2, wherein the elastic plate and the hard plate are integrated with each other by attachment using adhesive, wherein a part of the elastic plate is caught in a cutout formed in the hard plate, and wherein a fluorine resin film is formed on a surface of the hard plate.
